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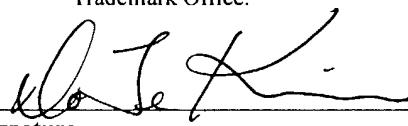
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In the Specification, please replace the paragraph on page 2, line 7 with the following paragraph:

This application claims the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/267,441 entitled, "Remotely Managed Automatic Dispensing Apparatus and Method", filed on February 8, 2001, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/242,898 entitled, "Remotely Managed Automatic Dispensing Apparatus and Method", filed on



October 24, 2000, both of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(iii), Attachment A contains a marked up version of the replacement paragraph with markings to show the changes relative to the previous version.

### REMARKS

The amendment corrects a typographical error in the application serial number of U.S. Provisional Application entitled, "Remotely Managed Automatic Dispensing Apparatus and Method", which was filed on October 24, 2000. No new matter is added.

If the Examiner has questions regarding, or wishes to discuss this amendment, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (256)535-1100.

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**ATTACHMENT A**

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